

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer program product, comprising:
a computer-readable medium containing instructions for controlling a computer system to perform a method of delaying issuing a command for beginning an initiation of an operation, the method comprising:
requesting that a user input a delay criteria before the initiation of the operation, wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation; and
delaying performance by the computer system of the operation until the delay criteria has been met;
wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting and an internet phone call.
2. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 1, wherein the delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time, and the occurrence of ~~[[a]]~~ the particular condition situation.
3. (Currently Amended) The computer-program product of claim 2, wherein the particular ~~condition comprises detection of an idle printer~~ situation is selected from the group of a period of time a printer has remained idle and a lights off situation in an office.
4. (Currently Amended) The program product medium of claim 2, wherein the particular ~~condition~~ situation comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.
5. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.

6. (Original) The computer-readable medium of claim 1, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.

7. (Original) The computer program product of claim 6, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network, and an internet storage location.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling a computer system to delay issuing a command for beginning an ~~perform a delayed~~ operation comprising:

requesting that a user input a ~~set-time~~ delay criteria for the operation before an initiation of an operation; and

delaying performance of the operation until the delay criteria has been met, wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation;

wherein the operation comprises at least one operation chosen from the group consisting of a print command, an e-mailing distribution, a software installation, a file transfer protocol upload, a web site posting and an internet phone call.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein delay criteria is at least one chosen from the group consisting of a time interval, a set time and the occurrence of ~~[[a]]~~ the particular condition situation.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular ~~condition~~ comprises detection of an idle printer situation is selected from the group of a period of time a printer has remained idle and a lights off situation in an office.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the particular ~~condition~~ situation comprises detection of bandwidth availability on a network connection.

12. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the operation comprises printing a document.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the delaying step comprises storing the document in a job store.
14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the job store comprises at least one item from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network and an internet storage location.
15. (Currently Amended) A computing system comprising:
 - a processor;
 - a user-programmable delaying device to receive a delay criteria before issuing a command for beginning an initiation of an operation, wherein the delay criteria include both a time and a particular situation;
 - the delaying device operably connected to the processor;
 - a storage device operably connected to the processor; and
 - a printer operably connected to the storage device.
16. (Previously Presented) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed by a user-programmable time interval.
17. (Original) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until a user-programmable time.
18. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 15, wherein the delaying device can be delayed until the occurrence of a user-programmable ~~condition~~ situation.
19. (Original) The system of claim 15, further comprising a job store.
20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the job store comprises at least one item chosen from the group consisting of a printer memory, a personal computer memory, a spooler, a local area network, a wide area network and an internet storage location.